



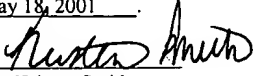
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Notice to File Missing Parts mailed January 22, 2001, said period of response being extended from March 22, 2001 to May 22, 2001.

Our check in the amount of \$390.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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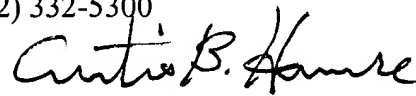
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